

SAFETY ON THE LINE

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"Science has never drummed up quite as effective a tranquilizing agent as a sunny spring day."-- W. Earl Hall

• Ah, SPRING TIME!

Whether it's at home or the office it's that time of year to do some spring cleaning.

Office Safety Checklist

- **Housekeeping** – eliminate clutter and unneeded material, files, boxes, etc.
- **Bookshelves** – Make sure they are stable and do not overload.
- **Furniture and Chairs** – Check for stability, tighten loose screws, and repair or remove faulty furniture and equipment.
- **Electrical Equipment** – Ensure cords and plugs are in good condition do not run through wall opening, doors, under carpet, etc.
- **Egress** - Ensure that egress paths and doors are clear.

Medicine Cabinet Safety

- **Clean** out medicine cabinet regularly. Dispose of unneeded medicines.
- **Keep** medicines in their original containers.
- **Store** medicines out of sight and reach of children.
- **Use** child resistant containers.
- **Place** child resistant latches on storage cabinets.
- **Call 911** if you suspect poisoning, Do not induce vomiting, unless told to do so.

Love is in the air, but be careful this Cupid can bite !



Late March to early June is alligator mating season which means the larger males are traveling from spot to spot, hoping to find mates.

These travels often put the gators on collision courses with people as they meander through neighborhoods, cross roads and show up in spots usually gator-free.



- **Leave alligators alone.** Alligators are shy animals that usually avoid human contact. It is illegal to kill, harass, or possess alligators.
- **Do not feed alligators.** They will lose their natural fear of humans.
- **Stay with children.** Never allow small children to play unattended near water.
- **Keep an eye on your pets.** Dogs are in more danger from alligators than humans.
- **Pay attention.** Avoid vegetation-filled areas of rivers, lakes, and other bodies of water.

Visit <http://myfwc.com/gators> for more information about alligators and a downloadable Brochure, "Living with Alligators"



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